(f) the role of the legal profession in strengthening the system of administration of justice.

(g) the desirability of formulation of the norms which the Government and the Public Sector Undertakings should follow in the settlement of disputes including a review of the present system for conduct of litigation on behalf of the Government and such Undertakings.

(h) the cost of litigation with a view to lessening the burden on the litigants.

(i) formation of an All India Judicial Service; and

(j) such other matters as the Commission considers proper or necessary for the purposes aforesaid or as may be referred to it from time to time by the Government.

Vacancies of Judges in Andhra Pradesh High Court

571 SHRI PRABHAKAR RAO KALVALA: Will the Minister of LAW AND JUSTICE be pleased to state:

(a) the number of vacancies of Judges in Andhra Pradesh High Court as on 30th October, 1987;

(b) whether Government propose to fill up these vacancies; and

(c) if so, the details thereof and the probable date by when these vacancies are likely to be filled?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF LAW AND JUSTICE (SHRI H. R. BHARDWAJ): (a) to (c) As on 30th October, 1987, there were 5 vacancies in the sanctioned strength of 26 Judges/Additional Judges in the Andhra Pradesh High Court.

Some proposals for making appointments against these vacancies have been received. It is not possible to indicate the probable date by when these are likely to be filled.

Setting up of aeronautical engineering department in MCEME

572. SHRI PRABHAKAR RAO KALVALA: Will the Minister of DEFENCE be pleased to state:

(a) whether there is any proposal under Government's consideration to set up an Aeronautical Engineering Department at the Military College of Electrical and Mechanical Engineers (MCEME) at Bolarum in Secunderabad, Andhra Pradesh; and

(b) if so, what are the details of the proposal and the amount sanctioned for the purpose?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE DEPARTMENT OF DEFENCE PRODUCTION AND SUPPLIES IN THE MINISTRY OF DEFENCE (SHRI SHIVRAJ PATIL): (a) There is a proposal in the Army Headquarters for the establishment of a Faculty of Aeronautical Engineering in the Military College of Electrical and Mechanical Engineering, Secunderabad.

(b) Details have yet to be finalised; no funds have so far been sanctioned for the purpose.

Bid to export nuclear material from US to Pakistan

573. SHRI M. S. GURUPADASWAMY:

DR. BAPU KALDATE:

Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government have taken note of the recent statement of Prime Minister of Pakistan that India is involved in Arshad Pervaz bid to export from U S A 50,000 pounds of maraging Steel 350 and Beryllium-nuclear-making materials through India;

(b) if so, what is the reaction of the Government; and

(c) whether Government have lodged a protest with Pakistan in this regard?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF EXTERNAL AFFAIRS (SHRI K. NATWAR SINGH): (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) and (c) These baseless insinuations were refuted by the Official Spokesman of the Ministry of External Affairs on the 28th September, 1987. Our surprise at these has also been conveyed to the Government of Pakistan.

Re-employment of Retired Armymen

574 DR MOHD. HASHIM KIDWAI: Will the Minister of DEFENCE be pleased to state:

(a) what is the number of armymen who retired during the years 1985-86, 1986-87 and during the first half of the current financial year; and

(b) what is the number of retired armymen who have been re-employed till October, 1987, State-wise?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE DEPARTMENT OF DEFENCE PRODUCTION AND SUPPLIES IN THE MINISTRY OF DEFENCE (SHRI SHIVRAJ PATIL): (a) Statistics are collected on a calendar year basis. The number of armymen retired during the years 1985, 1986 and 1987 (January to June) is as under:-

Year	No.
1985	37029
1986	40697
1987 (January to June)	25422

(b) The number of ex-servicemen from Army, Navy and Air Force who have been employed during 1985, 1986 and 1987 (January to June) State-wise, is given in the enclosed Statement (*See* below). Separate figures for Army are not available.

Statement

Total Number of Ex-Servicemen placed in employment during 1985-1986, *and* 1987 (*upto June* 1987)

States/UTs	Central Govt.	State Govt.	Central Govt.	State Govt.	Central Govt.	State Govt.
	1985†		1986†		1987† (Up to June, 87) (6 months)	
1	2	3	4	5	6	7
1 Andhra Pradesh	N.A.	376	N.A.	393	N.A.	288
2. Assam	,,	22	,,	17	,,	7
3. Arunachal Pradesh	,,	2	,,	4	,,	3
4. Bihar	,,	239	,,	715	,,	63
5. Gujarat	,,	107	,,	73	,,	31

†Figures are provisional subject to change.
N. A. —Not available